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Steering and Rules Committee to begin review of budget scenarios Monday

On **Monday, February 13th** the Common Council's Steering and Rules Committee will begin hearing from city departments about the impacts potential 10%, 20%, or 25% budget cuts would have on staffing, operations and services in the future. **Common Council President José G. Pérez** notes Monday's meeting will be the first of several as city leaders gather information about how city services would be impacted under increasingly lean budgets and necessary efficiencies.

"As the Council discussed and debated the 2023 city budget, we made a commitment to develop an understanding and provide feedback regarding the potential for significant budgetary changes," President Pérez said. "We are engaging in this exercise to confront the realities of our budget situation and to ensure that residents and community stakeholders understand the impacts of these budget cuts. I am encouraged by our renewed partnership with State leadership, and we must continue practicing fiscal prudence."

"Monday's hearing is the first of many steps in this budget-building process, and given that budgetary changes would impact all parts of Milwaukee, I would encourage everyone to tune in to grow their understanding of what the city budget in the very near future could look like," he said.

The first slate of departments to present their department's outlook under reduced budgets (on Monday) are the Mayor's Office, the Common Council – City Clerk's Office, Office of the Comptroller, Office of the City Treasurer, and the Office of the City Attorney.

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Additional department presentations will be made at future meetings of the Steering and Rules Committee. All information related to the matter can be found as part of Common Council file #221521.

The Steering and Rules Committee meeting on February 13 will begin at 1:30 p.m. and take place in room 301-B on the third floor of City Hall, 200 E. Wells St. The committee meeting will be streamed live on the City Channel (channel 25 on Spectrum Cable and channel 99 on AT&T U-Verse in the City of Milwaukee) and via streaming video on the city website at city.milwaukee.gov/Channel25. For Spectrum Cable television customers who wish to view closed captioning in Spanish, it is now available on the City Channel. On your Spectrum Cable television remote, press "MENU." Select "CAPTIONS." Arrow down to "STANDARD," then arrow over and change to "CC3."

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